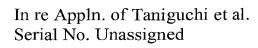
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Claim 3 (Amended), line 1, change "An" to --The--; line 2, delete "of";

delete "amount".
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Claim 4 (Amended), line 1, change "An" to --The--;
lines 1-2, delete "the amount of";
line 3, change "the" (second occurrence) to -a--;
line 4, delete "the amount of";
line 6, change "initial" to --initially--;
line 7, change "to" to --for--.
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5. (Amended) [An] The elastic wave generator as claimed in claim 2, wherein [the amount of] the internal stress at [the] a shrink-fit interface between the shrink-fit first end surface of said magnetostriction oscillator and said first support surface of said oscillator support as well as [the amount of] the internal stress at the shrink-fit interface between the shrink-fit second end surface of said magnetostriction oscillator and said second support surface of said oscillator support are [such a stress of the extent] stresses that [provides] provide, together



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with the magnetic bias <u>produced</u> by said magnetic bias device, an initial set <u>compression</u> stress required [to] <u>for</u> said magnetostriction oscillator.

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Claim 6 (Amended), line 1, change "An" to --The--;
line 5, delete "the";
line 7, change "under the" to --in a--.
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Claim 7 (Amended), line 1, change "An" to --The--;
line 5, delete "the";
lines 6-7, change "under the" to --in an--.
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Claim 8 (Amended), line 1, change "An" to --The--;
line 3, change "by a pardonable material into" to
--in--;
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delete "the lamination of".

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Claim 9 (Amended), line 1, change "An" to --The--;
line 2, change "has formed therein" to --includes--;
delete ", said pocket";
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line 3, delete "with";
line 5, delete "and";
line 6, delete "with".
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Claim 10 (Amended), line 1, change "An" to --The--.

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Claim 11 (Amended), Jine 1, change "An" to --The--;

Jine 3, change "by a pardonable amount into" to
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--in--;

delete "the lamination of";
line 6, delete "the amount of";
line 8, delete "the amount of";
line 11, change "to" to --for--.

12. (Amended) [An] The elastic wave generator as claimed in claim 2, wherein

said magnetostriction oscillator is made by bonding said magnetostriction sheets to each other [by a pardonable material into] in an integral structure of [the lamination of] said magnetostriction sheets;



said oscillator support is made of a material having a coefficient of thermal expansion substantially equal to that of said magnetostriction support; and

[the amount of] the internal stress at the shrink-fit interface between the shrink-fit first end surface of said magnetostriction oscillator and said first support surface of said oscillator support as well as [the amount of] the internal stress at the shrink-fit interface between the shrink-fit second end surface of said magnetostriction oscillator and said second support surface of said oscillator support are [such a stress of the extent] stresses that [provides] provide, together with the magnetic bias produced by said magnetostriction oscillator.

Claim 13 (Amended), line 1, change "An" to --The--;

change "wherein" to --including--;

line 2, delete "is".

Claim 14 (Amended), line 1, change "An" to --The--;

change "wherein" to --including--;

line 2, delete "is provided";

line 3, delete "therefrom".

15. (Amended) A magnetostriction oscillator mounting structure for mounting a magnetostriction oscillator to an object to which an elastic wave is [irradiated] to be imparted, said magnetostriction oscillator comprising an excitation coil wound around a stack of [thin] sheets of a metallic magnetostriction material bonded together with an electrically insulating bonding agent for generating an elastic wave in [the] a direction parallel to said [thin sheet by] sheets with an excitation current flowing through said excitation coil[;], said magnetostriction oscillator having two parallel surfaces intersecting at right angles with an elastic wave radiation direction and spaced apart from each other by a distance A at room temperature and a distance A1 at a lower temperature[; said], the object having a hole or a recess having two parallel wall surfaces intersecting at right angles with [said] the elastic wave radiation direction and spaced apart from each other by a distance B at room temperature[; a relationship among said distances being], where A > B > A1[;], and said magnetostriction oscillator [being] is held in [said] the hole or recess by the shrink-fit against said wall surfaces in which the magnetostriction oscillator is cooled and contracted and then [returning] returned to room

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temperature to expand [said magnetostriction oscillator] within [said] the hole or recess.

Claim 16 (Amended), line 1, change "A" to --The--; line 2, change "said" to --the--.

Claim 17 (Amended), line 1, change "A" to --The--; line 2, change "said" to --the--.

Claim 18 (Amended), line 1, change "A" to --The--;

line 2, change "sheet" to --sheets--;

change "is" to --include--;

line 3, delete "the surface of".

Claim 19 (Amended), line 1, change "A" to --The--; line 2, change "said" to --the--.

Claim 20 (Amended), line 1, change "A" to --The--;

Jine 2, change "digging" to --drilling--.

Claim 21 (Amended), line 1, change "A" to --The--;
line 2, change "wherein" to --including--;
change "is provided" to --located--.

22. (Amended) A method for mounting a magnetostriction oscillator to an object to which an elastic wave is [irradiated] to be imparted, said magnetostriction oscillator comprising an excitation coil wound around a stack of [thin] sheets of a metallic magnetostriction material bonded together with an electrically insulating bonding agent for generating an elastic wave in [the] a direction parallel to said [thin sheet by] sheets with an excitation current flowing through said excitation coil[;], the method comprising:

[a magnetostriction oscillator shaping step for] shaping two opposing elastic wave radiation surfaces formed by stacking said [thin] sheets into two parallel surfaces intersecting at right angles with an elastic wave radiation direction and spaced apart from each other by a distance A at room temperature;

[an object shaping step for] providing a hole or a recess having two parallel wall surfaces intersecting at right angles with [said] the elastic wave radiation direction and spaced from each other by a distance B [at room

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temperature] between two wall surfaces at room temperature [which is], being smaller than the distance A;

[a cooling step for] cooling said magnetostriction oscillator until [said]

the distance A becomes equal to a distance A1, smaller than [said] the distance

B of [said] the hole or [said] the recess; and

[an insertion step for] inserting the cooled magnetostriction oscillator into [said] the hole or recess.

Claim 23 (Amended), line 1, change "A" to --The--;
line 2, change "said" to --the--;
delete "step";
change "by" to --with--.

Claim 24 (Amended), line 1, change "A" to --The--; line 3, after "upon" insert --being--.

Claim 25 (Amended), line 1, change "A" to --The--;
line 2, delete "said step of";
line 3, delete "a step of".